IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

WILLIAM M. EPPARD AND THOMAS J. McMURRAY

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A HUNTER'S SHOOTING REST AND METHOD OF USING SAME

> Alexandria, Virginia March 11, 2004

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the captioned application as set forth below.